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Company Announcements Office Australian Securities Exchange Limited Exchange Centre 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Sir or Madam

AUSTAR UNITED COMMUNICATIONS LIMITED (ASX: AUN):

Please find attached an announcement from AUSTAR regarding the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's market inquiry into draft undertakings regarding FOXTEL's proposed acquisition of AUSTAR.

Yours faithfully

Deanne Weir

Company Secretary



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AUSTAR WELCOMES ACCC'S MARKET INQUIRY ON FOXTEL'S DRAFT UNDERTAKINGS

AUSTAR United Communications (ASX: AUN) (AUSTAR) notes that the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has today announced a brief market inquiry into draft undertakings provided to the ACCC by FOXTEL Management Pty Ltd (FOXTEL). These undertakings are aimed at resolving the ACCC's competition concerns relating to FOXTEL's proposed acquisition of AUSTAR.

AUSTAR remains optimistic that the ACCC will be able to complete its market inquiry and reach a decision in time for AUSTAR's shareholder meetings on 30 March 2012.

If shareholders have questions in relation to the Transaction they may call the AUSTAR Shareholder Information Line 1300 706 158 (within Australia) or on +61 3 9946 4459 (outside Australia) Monday to Friday between 9:00am and 5:00pm (Sydney time) or contact their legal, financial, taxation or other professional adviser. Information is also available through AUSTAR's website, www.austarunited.com.au.

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